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In re application of

Applicant : Chen et al.
Application No. : 10/709,168
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir,

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 10, 2006, please find the Supplemental Amendment in 6 pages.

On January 3, 2006, Applicants filed a Supplemental Amendment to the Office Action of October 4, 2005 (paper No. 20050927) and enclosed an English translation of Taiwan application No. 92114124 corresponding to the above-referenced application for consideration of the foreign priority. Applicants claimed foreign priority benefits of the Taiwan application No. 92114124 filed on May 26, 2003, and accordingly the subject application should be entitled to have the earlier filing date to traverse the rejected claims as being anticipated by Hosoda et al. (US 2004/0190435) which was filed on March 22, 2004.

After receiving the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicants confirmed the information in Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system, and observed that the English translation of the corresponding Taiwan application No. 92114124 was erroneously recorded as an amendment to specification of the above-identified application (please refer to Exhibit 1 as attached hereto), and therefore the Office issued said Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. In order to clarify such confusion, Applicants hereby submit a complete listing of all of the claims with the proper status identifier even though the previously-filed Response to the Office Action of October 4, 2005 (paper No. 20050927) comprises neither specification amendments nor those of claims.

Thank you for your assistance in the subject matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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